Plastic Window Frame Manufacturing Project

Project Summary

SubsectorLight ManufacturingLocationKandahar, Afghanistan

Project Cost \$500,000

Project Type Equipment Supply, Investment **Project Executing Firm/Agency** Assadullah Wafa Company

Financing Agency Not Identified





Project Outline

Assadullah Wafa, the project sponsor, is Minister Adviser for Tribal Affairs in the Office of President Karzai. Wafa is proposing to construct a new factory to manufacture window frames in Kandahar. Initially, Wafa will import glass from neighboring countries, and as the project progresses, he plans to explore the feasibility of producing glass in Afghanistan.

After 25 years of hostilities and looting, there are many buildings throughout the country that have been stripped of their doors, windows, and fixtures. In the coming years there is expected to be a strong demand for the above mentioned supplies as the reconstruction of the country continues. By manufacturing the window frames in Afghanistan, this project serves to replace expensive imports with domestically produced windows.

Wafa seeks a strategic investor to develop the project with him.

Technical Description

The project involves the erection of a factory building and installation of production equipment to produce plastic window frames. No other technical information is available at this stage.

Project Site

Assadullah Wafa Company owns a site off the main highway at Kandahar.

Project Status/Timeline

The project proposal is at an early stage of development and will require further study to determine the feasibility of utilizing plastic window frames in a country where structures are made of brick or stone construction. Wood window frames are traditionally manufactured at the construction site. However, wood is in short supply and is becoming increasingly expensive.

Equipment and Services

Other than construction of a building for the factory, the equipment required to manufacture plastic window frames include:

Generator
Profile prescription system
Moulding equipment
Thermoforming equipment
Compression equipment
Extrusion/haul-off equipment
Packing equipment

U.S. Competitiveness

Wafa has a predisposition towards sourcing equipment from an American supplier.

Project Financing

Assadullah Wafa has acquired the building site in Kandahar and is prepared to contribute modest investment capital towards the start-up of the project. The company is actively looking for strategic co-investors to participate in the project.

Conclusion

As Minister Councilor for Tribal Affairs in the office of the President, Wafa is in a position to ensure a high level of government support for the proposed project.

Key Decision Makers

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